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## Didsbury declared most affordable business community

BY SABEEN AHMAD  
*Didsbury Review*

In Alberta Venture's second year conducting a survey to determine Alberta's Best Communities for Business, Didsbury has been ranked number one as the most affordable place to do business.

"This growing, rural town offers big-market access minus metro area expense, especially for industrialists," Alberta Venture had to say about Didsbury. The report listed various data about Didsbury including population (4,599), household income (\$52,844), business tax (none) and the average wait time for a development permit (one to two weeks).

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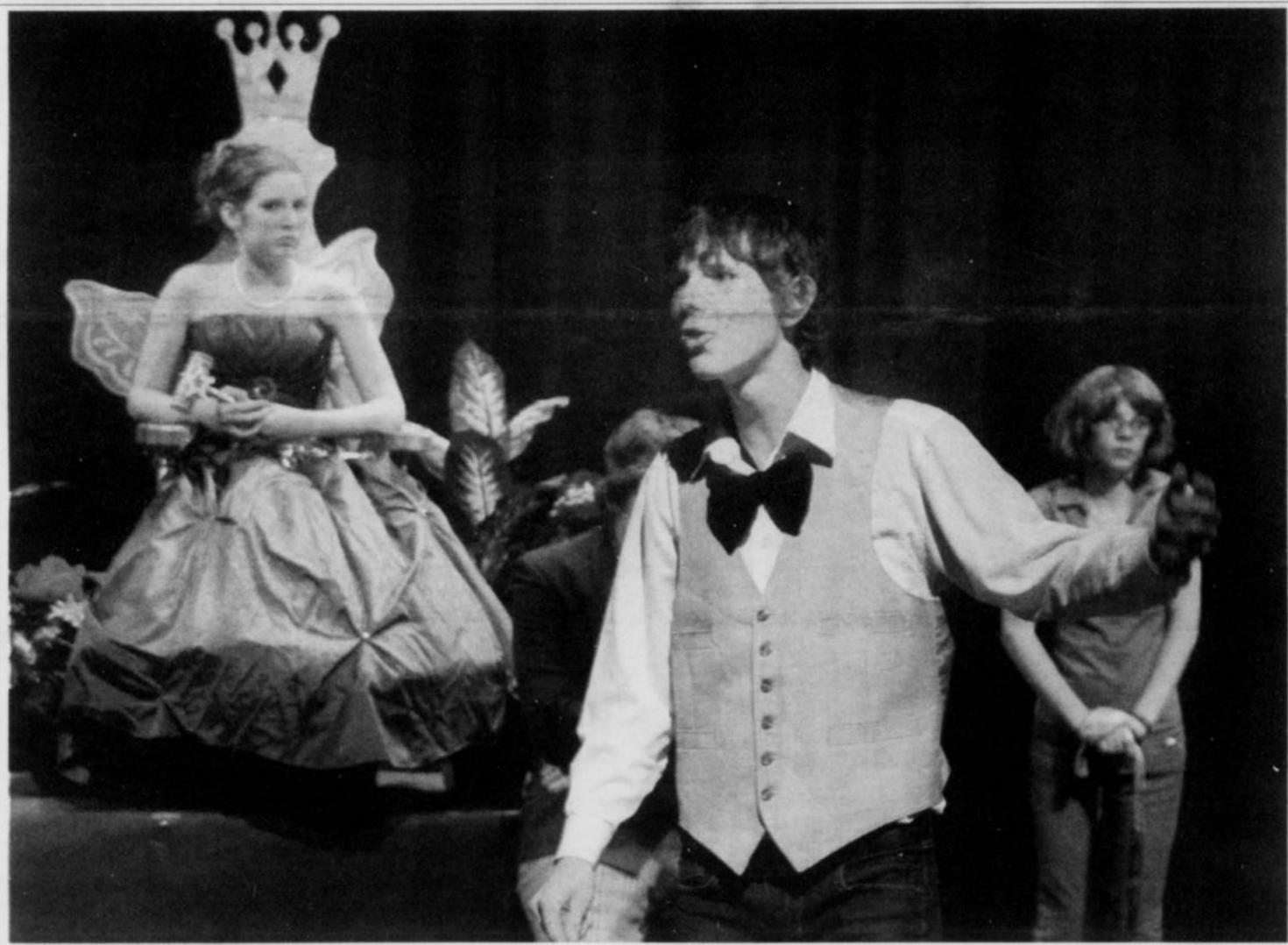
COLLEEN GUSTAVSON  
*Didsbury's economic development coordinator*

choosing the best communities, but they were looking for existing strengths and future potential," explained Colleen Gustavson, Didsbury's economic development

coordinator. She found it great that Alberta Venture was featuring smaller communities that could not compete on the same scale as the larger centres, referring to the small communities as "hidden gems" that were worth discovering for relocating or expanding a business.

"Being featured in an article such as this is not only beneficial for exposure to business and investors, but also for viewing our community's assets and potential for improvement from an Alberta-wide perspective," Gustavson explained.

The top five 2009 Best Communities for Business, in order, were: Didsbury, Drumheller, Slave Lake, Sturgeon County and Whitecourt.



Carla Victor/Didsbury Review

**STANDING UP FOR THE PIGS** - Arthur Whyte, executive A.D.A. Stiltskin, gives his closing arguments against the Big Bad Wolf defendant in the fairy tale criminal justice system. The Didsbury High School drama department presented Law and Order: Fairy Tale Unit and Check Please at the fine arts centre in Olds last week.



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BY MARK LAYCOCK  
*For the Review*

### Carstairs dealership vandalized

Eight vehicles at Carstairs Ford Sales were vandalized on the night of June 10 at 2 a.m. Police say two vehicles belonging to customers had side windows smashed, one vehicle was rummaged through, and six dealership vehicles had their rear sliding windows damaged. A navigation system was also reported stolen.

Didsbury RCMP Sgt. Jeff Jacobson says police are continuing to follow up on possible leads. Jacobson says it has not been determined if the damage is in connection to an incident last month when vandals caused \$225,000 worth of damage to dealership vehicles.

### Youth arrested for vehicle break-and-enters

Five youths were arrested in Didsbury on June 4 in connection with several vehicles being rummaged through on June 22.

A resident on the street called police after noticing suspicious individuals in the neighbourhood. When police arrived on scene they found five youths from Calgary.

After searching the suspects, a 16-year-old male was found to be in possession of several stolen items from vehicles that had been rummaged through earlier in the night. A 16-year-old female was also arrested and charged for breaching the conditions of a prior release document.

The three other youths were not charged.

He adds that there is no indication yet that the youths were responsible for a similar incident in Carstairs on June 1 when several vehicles were rummaged through.

"Again, we want to encourage people to report suspicious activities in their neighbourhood," says Jacobson.

### Mini storage break-in

Four locks had been cut on storage units at the Carstairs Mini Storage on May 23. Police say it doesn't appear anything was stolen from the lockers.

Police would like to remind residents to report any suspicious activity around businesses at any time of the day.

### Stolen vehicle dumped in Carstairs

A stolen vehicle from Calgary was left in the Stonebridge Glen subdivision some time between June 1 and 9.

Police believe the vehicle was used in connection with several vehicles being entered and rummaged through on June 1.

### Car wash theft

The Holbrook Car Wash in Cremona was broken into some time between June 8 at 9:30 p.m. and the next morning at 8 a.m.

The individual or individuals responsible gained access after damaging a door. Approximately \$150 in change was stolen.

### Real estate signs being damaged

Several real estate signs in Carstairs have been vandalized over the last several weeks starting on May 21.

Police are reminding residents that damaging or stealing such signs can result in criminal charges of theft or mischief.

## Come and enjoy CANADA DAY AT MEMORIAL PARK Wednesday, July 1, 2009

Join Town of Didsbury staff at Memorial Park for its Grand Opening and Canada Day Celebrations from 12:00 - 4:00 pm. In case of rain, Canada Day Celebrations will be moved to the Didsbury Memorial Complex. Activities will include jump houses, ride on train, petting zoo, live music, barbecue, farmer's market and much more! Finish the day with a spectacular fireworks display at the Westglen School grounds after dark.

Please call 403-335-8719 for more information.

## MCC holds relief sale

BY ADAM BERIAULT  
*For the Review*

Mennonite Central Committee international aid projects are expected to benefit from an event held in Didsbury over the weekend.

The 2009 MCC Alberta Relief Sale and Auction was held at the Didsbury Memorial Complex June 12 and 13. Organizers hoped to raise roughly \$200,000.

At last year's MCC Relief Sale, Auction and Festival in Sherwood Park, a pitcher of water, representing the need for access to clean water worldwide brought in donations of \$18,000. The total raised by all sale activities, including auctions, bike-a-thons, craft booths, second-hand clothes booths and more was \$210,000.

Throughout Canada and the United States, Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) relief sales bring together food, fun and items from quilts to puzzles in all raising more than \$6 million each year for MCC's worldwide relief, development and peace work.

The Didsbury event was one of 31 relief sales in the United States and 14 in Canada this year, with an estimated 20,000 volunteers coming together to make auctions, food booths, entertainment and other activities possible.

There are so many volunteers in Alberta interested in contributing their time and skills that the sale location has to alternate between three areas of the province - Edmonton/Sherwood Park, Didsbury/Calgary, and Coaldale - in order to give everyone a chance to participate at least once every three years.

"The excitement of the volunteers is really great to see," said Bev Patkau, auction coordinator for the Alberta sale committee. "Everybody's trying to do the best job they can and raise the most money for MCC."

Volunteers range in age from five to 95 and families often make working at the sale a yearly activity.

This year an excited group of Didsbury youth (ages 11-12) have worked for months with long-time local quilter, Kathy Peters, sewing quilted Christmas tree-

skirts. The tree-skirts were sold at this year's sale.

While the sale location may rotate, there are two ingredients that don't change, say organizers.

"Expect to find friendly faces and wonderful food," Patkau said.

Each sale also reflects the traditions and backgrounds of members of local churches and communities. Calgary has an active Laotian Mennonite community, and the homemade spring rolls they contribute each year to the sale are a crowd favourite. In British Columbia, offerings ranged from 25,750 pirogues to a local aboriginal group's donation of salmon barbecue.

Donations go beyond congregations who traditionally support the sale. At this year's sale in Didsbury, a prominent businessman who believes in the work of MCC donated a treadmill. During the sale, each step on the treadmill was to raise money specifically for the HIV/AIDS programs of MCC and later, the treadmill was sold at the auction.

Handmade quilts are a staple of the sales and raise significant funds. Individual quilts have often fetched more than \$2,500. Another hallmark of relief sales is sorting coins for Penny Power, an effort to collect spare change for MCC's work.

"You'll hear the jingle of coins at the sale. They might be in wheelbarrows. They might be in hog troughs. They might be spread out on tables." This year, all funds raised by Penny Power in Alberta will fund MCC's international water/agriculture projects.

Ten Thousand Villages, an MCC sister organization and one of the world's oldest and largest fair trade organizations, also plays a prominent role at the sale. With more than 130 artisan groups in more than 38 countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America, Ten Thousand Villages always brings a unique blend of fair trade jewelry, home décor, gifts and more, life.

The auction opened with a barbecue supper at 5 p.m. on Friday and a free breakfast on Saturday at 7:30 a.m.

*Adam Beriault is the MCC Alberta communications coordinator*



*Photo submitted*

**FLIPPING FOR A CAUSE** - Parent volunteers man the grill during last Thursday night's Cowabunga event in the parking lot of Ross Ford Elementary School. Funds from this year's annual fundraiser will be put towards adding wheelchair accessible equipment to the playground.



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## Pandemic planning underway

BY LEA SMALDON  
AND SABEEN AHMAD  
*Didsbury Review*

Preparations are being made for a potential pandemic H1N1 flu outbreak in Didsbury as well as across the province.

Last Thursday, the World Health Organization indicated a global pandemic is underway by raising its alert level to Phase 6.

Municipal plans will be used in coordination with Alberta's Plan for Pandemic Influenza, Alberta Health Services' plans, and the Canadian Pandemic Influenza Plan for the Health Sector to deal with a pandemic, according to provincial officials.

"The Phase 6 designation in no way changes the level of preparedness this province already has in place," said Alberta Chief Medical Officer of Health Dr. Andre Corriveau. "Our preparations are going well, and Albertans should continue with their day-to-day activities, while exercising every precaution to avoid transmission of the virus."

Didsbury's chief administrative officer began updating council last month on pandemic preparations within the municipality.

At that time, Town of Didsbury staff and public officials had already begun reviewing the town's municipal pandemic plan.

A bulletin describing how to help a person avoid contracting the flu as well as a list of symptoms, has been sent out to staff.

And, in the event there is a run on supplies, town officials have also stockpiled face masks for staff use.

Corriveau said raising the alert level to Phase 6 does not change the level of risk to the public, which he says remains low.

"We have known for some time that this virus was spreading around the world, just as any flu is capable of doing," said Corriveau. "The Phase 6 designation is not indicative of how severe this disease is. It is a measure of where and how widespread the new virus has gone around the world."

The WHO classification of Phase 6 - the pandemic phase - is characterized by community level human-to-human spread of the virus into at least two countries in one WHO region, as well as at least one other country in a different WHO region.

Alberta officials say they are working closely with other provinces and territories and the Public Health Agency of Canada to monitor H1N1 influenza activity.

The goal of Alberta's plan is to reduce illness and death due to influenza and minimize disruptions to the daily life of Albertans. Officials say it is a work in progress and will be updated and added to as the situation changes.

Didsbury adopted its pandemic plan last year. It aims to continue prioritized services to residents in a pandemic situation.

The town's 'Business Continuity for Pandemic Plan' is in place to ensure things run smoothly.

The purpose of the plan is to provide for the continuation of critical and vital municipal functions and recovery of services that were suspended in the event of a business disruption, in particular in the event of a pandemic influenza.

"This is a business continuity plan and what this provides us is a template on how we conduct business when we are faced with serious staff shortages in case of a pandemic," says Derek Sutherland, Deputy Director of Municipal Emergency Management.

The plan is a 130-page document comprised of 'individual department plans' dealing with but not limited to emergency services such as fire protection and policing.

Sutherland said "we're expected to function regardless of whether or not we have sufficient staff to function...so if we're down 60 per cent of our staff what this says...it identifies here what have to run no matter what...water, sewer, EMS, fire, police..." He added that the RCMP had their own plan in case of a pandemic as well.

Critical and Vital departments include: Legislative Services, Corporate Services, Policing, Fire Protection, Municipal Emergency Management, EMS, Operations Department, Parks and Recreation, Cemetery.

Though many of them also fall under necessary or desired services Sutherland said that many of those working in the critical and vital departments could share jobs in case of a pandemic and that town departments are very important as part of the plan.

"The town council is empowered as the elected body to declare a state of emergency... they can liaise with citizens...they can be really critical in an emergency to just assist in wherever they can...volunteer their time to help run the town as it were."

Sutherland said that in case of an emergency or pandemic they could rely on town employees depending on their skill sets. "We keep an inventory list of all our staff...it's a skills inventory list." As employees are hired they are asked to fill out this list, which is added to the list of employees who possess various skills that could aid in case of a pandemic. "So if there is someone who is CPR certified they could assist in driving the ambulance while the paramedic assists someone in the back."

Sutherland said that the plan was available to all residents who are interested in taking a look at it but in case a pandemic occurs town residents would be notified through PSAs and through town council.

Sabeen Ahmad/Didsbury Review  
PLAYING THEIR HEARTS OUT - Westgate Grade 5 students play 'Let's Go Band' during the wrap up band concert at the school last Wednesday night.



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## Commentary

### Tobacco marketing to kids sickening

DAN SINGLETON

The federal government has announced plans to take stronger action to counter moves by the tobacco industry to turn young people into young tobacco users.

Legislation tabled in the House of Commons last week will, according to Minister of Health Leona Aglukkaq, better protect children and youth from tobacco marketing that encourages them to smoke. The proposed amendments to the Tobacco Act would prohibit the addition of fruit flavours and other additives, such as vitamins or sugar, that give a candy flavour to little cigars, also known as cigarillos, cigarettes and blunt wraps (sheets or tubes of tobacco).

The legislation would also remove a current exception in the Tobacco Act that allows ads to be placed in publications with an adult readership of at least 85 per cent. This particular measure responds to a recent resurgence of tobacco ads in free entertainment weeklies and daily newspapers.

Despite all their other business these days, including dealing with the recession, MPs will hopefully come together to quickly pass this important piece of legislation.

Canadians of all ages everywhere will applaud MPs who put aside their differences for the better good in this case.

At the provincial level, it is already illegal for any person under the age of 18 to possess any tobacco product, whether it's cigarettes, cigarillos or chew.

Unfortunately, enforcement of the anti-possession law remains virtually non-existent - a quick look outside any high school at lunch breaks will invariably show a clutch of underage smokers practising their habits.

Alberta has a good anti-possession law, but what good does it do if it's ignored on the enforcement side?

Stelmach cabinet ministers have been making a lot of noise these days about creating a health system that is more financially viable. Doesn't that include keeping young people out of overburdened and very costly cancer wards?

With the federal government stepping up its efforts to protect Canadian youth from tobacco dangers, it's high time for the provincial government to do its part by making enforcement of the anti-possession law a higher priority.

### Letter to the editor

#### GM restructuring won't affect local dealer

There has been a lot of media attention on General Motors, both in Canada and in the U.S. over the past several months and I would like to update you on what is happening.

On June 1, the governments of Canada and Ontario approved GM Canada's comprehensive plan, enabling GM Canada to complete its restructuring without the need for court supervision. At the same time, General Motors Corporation announced it will complete its reinvention through a court-supervised process in the U.S. It is expected that the new GM will emerge quickly from this process.

Let me assure you that we do not expect GM Canada's operations to be impacted by the U.S. court filing. Customer service, manufacturing and supply and chain will continue with minimal disruption. Hildebrand Motors remains open for business both now and in the future. GM customers can confidently continue to purchase and service their vehicles and take full advantage of GM's leading warranty coverage at Hildebrand Motors.

I would like to thank our customers, employees and the entire community of Olds and the entire county of Mountain View for your support during this unprecedented time. I hope you are as excited as I am about the future of a new GM Canada.

Yours truly,

Ed Hildebrand  
President Hildebrand Motors

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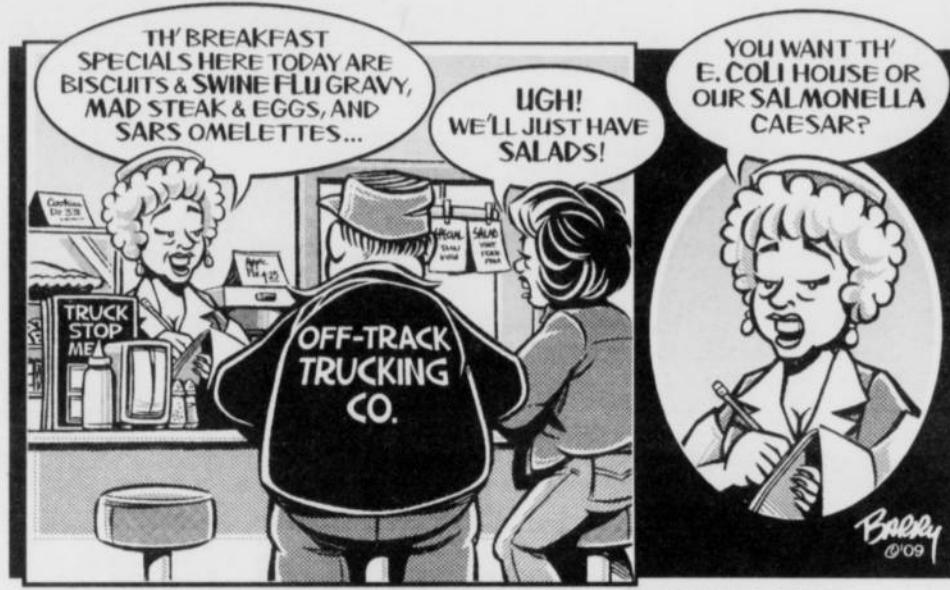


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# Opinion



IMPORTED PATHOGENS AFFLICTING DOMESTIC APPETITES...

### Commentary

#### Protecting children from ethical abuse

JANET KEEPING

The Manitoba government is seeking permanent custody of a brother and sister already in care.

What's wrong with the parents? Media reports have mentioned possible drug and alcohol abuse. But if press coverage is accurate, the main issue is that the parents have been teaching their children to hate non-whites and how to act on that hatred. Apparently, the seven-year-old not only believes people of colour are inferior and ought to die, but knows how to kill them.

The particular case will be decided - as the lawyers say - on the facts as proven. But the policy questions merit consideration by us, the public, for it is in our name that our governments act. Does the systematic, intentional inculcation of hate warrant taking children away from their parents? Can the ethical abuse of children - teaching them to be seriously bad - ever justify their seizure by the state?

These are complicated matters. Here are some thoughts:

First, we must acknowledge that the seizure of children is draconian. I am the mother of three, now adult, children. There is little worse the state could have done to me than take our children away. No doubt, extreme vigilance on government seizure of children is needed.

Second, I fear many people are much too ready to see child abuse where it doesn't exist. Consider the false accusations of satanic, ritual abuse of children that arose in the early 1990s. Acting on the false belief that children always tell the truth about their treatment by adults, many people were

charged with serious offences. A prime Canadian example occurred in Martensville, Saskatchewan, where a mother alleged that a woman who ran a babysitting service and daycare centre in her home had sexually abused her child. Eventually more than a dozen people, including several police officers, faced a host of serious allegations of child sexual abuse.

The reality was far different. There had been no epidemic of ritualistic abuse. An RCMP investigation into the Saskatchewan charges concluded they had been driven by "emotional hysteria." Impressionable children had told investigators what the children thought they wanted to hear and investigators had moulded the children's testimony according to their own preconceptions. In the process, reputations - indeed, lives - were ruined.

Third, the state does intervene - rightfully, many of us think - when the beliefs of parents threaten their children's welfare in an immediate way. Consider the cases involving Jehovah's Witnesses for whom blood transfusions are unacceptable from the religious perspective. The courts have a well-established practice of taking children they consider too young to make the decision for themselves into care, just long enough for the necessary transfusions to be made.

It's clear a parent's freedoms of conscience and religion, while legally protected in the Charter, are not absolute. Children are not the property of their parents. They have independent rights and interests which the state must sometimes protect by blocking their parents' wishes. Yes, but which rights and interests, and when?

Is physical harm the only criterion? I think not. Imagine parents who persistently prevent their children from getting an education. Probably most of us would agree their children should be taken from them. Uneducated, the children have no real future.

What then about children brought up in a household that is relentlessly and hatefully racist? The generally applicable standard for guardianship decisions is "best interests of the child". Given that foster care is often inadequate, we can't justify seizure of children unless their best interests will be so served. Is ethical abuse - the systematic inculcation of hatred - enough? Does it differ so greatly from refusal to educate? How do you function safely, let alone even remotely successfully, in our highly diverse society, if you are taught from

Day 1 that people of colour (or Jews, Aboriginal people, or other minority populations) deserve to die?

And what if it isn't just hate as an attitude that is taught, but also the ways in which hate can be acted upon? The seven-year-old girl in the Manitoba case - if the reports are correct - told investigators she knew how to kill black people and proceeded to explain.

To remove children from such a home does not strike me as ideological tyranny. Given such extreme ethical abuse, we would be justified, I think, in trying to give the children involved a better chance at a decent future. And in my book, the hate alone, even without the teaching of murderous technique, could sometimes warrant removal.

*Janet Keeping is the president of the Sheldon Chumir Foundation for Ethics in Leadership*

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## PUBLIC MEETINGS & NOTICES

### REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING:

Tuesday, June 23, 2009 at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers

### MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Wednesday, June 17 RESCHEDULED to June 24, 2009 at 4:30 pm  
July 8, 2009 at 4:30 pm in Council Chambers

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DP 48-09 #33 Deer Coulee Dr.	SFD with attached garage with conditions	R1
DP 49-09 #1198 Kildeer Close	Detached garages with conditions	R2

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037 - 19 Avenue or by calling 403-335-3391. Person(s) wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing, with the appropriate fees, to the Secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 p.m. on **July 2, 2009**.

*Kim Boyd, Development Officer*

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**Level 1 – Restrict outside watering (lawn, garden, car washing at home, etc.) to even-numbered addresses on even calendar days, and odd-numbered addresses on odd calendar days.**

Please contact the Town of Didsbury Office at 403-335-3391 or the Mountain View Regional Water Services Commission at 403-227-5828 if you have any questions.

## ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE FOR SPECIAL EVENTS!

**Saturday, June 20 Didsbury Lions Soap Box Derby**

**Time of Closure: 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

Closure of Highway 582 Junction at the east side of the Campground to 19th Street. Detour of traffic east and west on 20th Avenue to 19th Street and north and south on 19th Street from Highway 582 and 20th Avenue. Access will be allowed to local traffic to the Industrial Park north of Highway 582 from 19th Street and 16th Street.

**Saturday, June 27 Rural Ride for Dad**

**Charity Fundraiser for the fight against Prostate Cancer**

**Time of Closure: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Closure of the parking lot on Main Street (20th Street & 19th Avenue) and northbound laneway closure in front of Didsbury Train Station to allow for the participants of the Rural Ride for Dad event to park their bikes.

## COMMUNITY PEACE OFFICER CORNER

### Weeds



We have had some hot weather and some wet weather recently and it has created a bumper crop of dandelions. June is always busy for weeds and unsightly premise complaints to the bylaw department at the town, and this year is shaping up to be much of the same. Our nuisance bylaw stipulates that every occupant or owner shall:

*cut the grass on property they own or occupy and to cut the grass on any boulevard which abuts, flanks or adjoins such property and this shall include lanes or alleys at the rear or side of such property so as not to be in an unsightly condition.*

*control weeds on property they own or occupy and to control weeds on any boulevard which abuts, flanks or adjoins such property and this shall include lanes or alleys at the rear or side of such property.*

Please remember to cut your grass regularly and if you have weeds on your property to take measures to control or cut them before they go to seed and become a nuisance to your neighbors.

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*Derek Sutherland*

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# Area domestic abuse on the front burner

BY MARK LAYCOCK

For the Review

If anyone thought domestic abuse was only an urban issue, then they have a lot to learn.

That was one of the many messages conveyed to attendees of a speaking event about domestic abuse last Thursday at the Carstairs Community Centre.

The free dinner event, dubbed Awareness to A-difference, opened the floor to various speakers including police officers, support groups and most notably, a keynote address by crown prosecutor Val Campbell.

The event was hosted by the Carstairs-Didsbury partnership Vision for Non-Violence, which is comprised of various wellness workers, mental health professionals, and victim, peer and child support services.

Carstairs mayor Lance Colby opened the event with a heart-wrenching story from his time as a police officer and dispatcher with the Calgary police force.

"I know when I first started and you went to a domestic dispute, if the person who complained didn't lay charges we would go out and that would be the end of it," Colby began.

"Prior to joining, I grew up in the '60s... you didn't hear much about domestic violence, in fact I didn't know much about it until I was a

police officer."

Colby told those in attendance of a call he once received as a dispatcher. The 911 call was from a woman with a desperate cry for help.

"I had to listen to the call and this lady was screaming that her husband was breaking into her house."

As police raced to the house the man was able to break in and barricade both entrances.

Shortly thereafter Colby said the woman on the phone exclaimed "He's going to shoot me!" The final cry was followed by several popping sounds.

"When (police) finally did go in they found the man dead and the lady dead and they also found a three-year-old girl who was in the closet for three hours waiting."

Colby's story of extreme violence was referred to by many of the speakers who provided details about how police and the law have slowly evolved to better protect women in abusive relationships. But despite such improvements, they all noted that the law still has a long way to go to provide adequate protection and prosecution.

Didsbury RCMP Cst. Robert Kavanaugh explained that officers are required to lay charges in all cases of domestic disturbances; it is no longer a matter for individual officers to decide on the scene. He went on to provide statistics



Photo contributed

of domestic abuse cases in the Didsbury area. In 2007 the detachment received 90 calls, while in 2008, 78 reports were made. So far in 2009 the detachment has received 35 calls.

Val Campbell, who also serves as director of the Alberta Relationship Threat Assessment and Management Initiative, has

been instrumental in changing how the province deals with domestic violence cases. She has also developed training courses for police officers, social workers and health workers on how to identify and assist abused women.

"Our criminal justice system is designed to remedy isolated acts of violence

between strangers. Domestic violence is a pattern of abuse that occurs over a continual amount of time... between two intimate partners, so it is the polar opposite of what our justice system is designed to remedy," explained Campbell.

When compared to other violent crimes, Campbell

illustrated just how widespread domestic abuse is.

In Canada between 2000 and 2006, 101 police officers and Canadian soldiers were killed. In that same time frame, 500 women had been killed either by shooting, stabbing, strangulation or beating by their partner. In the U.S., 4,588 police or military officials were killed, while 8,000 women lost their lives to domestic homicide.

"Something has created these individuals... they're not born that way," says Campbell about how men become so abusive. "We're not born violent, and many of them don't like how they are, they just don't know how to control it."

As a result, she says we need to better understand what creates these individuals and address the problem at its root. Campbell likens it to people lining up at a cliff to jump off. Society is better off finding out why they're jumping off the cliff rather than continuing to build more ambulances to pick up the remains at the bottom.

"(These men) are so afraid of being abandoned that they become violent to prevent the abandonment from happening."

For more information, or to find support or help, the Carstairs Community Resource Centre has a confidential phone number, 403-337-2633.

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# Senior volunteer award winner has a passion for the museum

BY SABEEN AHMAD  
*Didsbury Review*

For Shirley Dorin, the winner of Didsbury's 2009 Senior Volunteer Award, the word volunteer is not what she would use to describe what she does.

"I'm a little uncomfortable with that," she says about being awarded the honour. She acknowledged a number of people who help out with the museum and felt the honour needed to go to everyone that's put their time and effort into the museum.

Dorin volunteers at the Didsbury Museum on a regular basis and has for about four years. "I was on the board the year before we acquired this building from Chinook's Edge," she says. Dorin has lived in Didsbury for 40 years. She has gained a sense of passion for the building she now works so diligently to increase awareness about. "There's such potential here that could be developed...it was the centre of the community at one time."

The building, built in 1907, used to be a school before it was turned into a museum. "I used to be a schoolteacher, so there's that connection," Dorin says about her closeness to the building, but there's something else. Dorin lives in a house that was built by the same man who built the old school building — Ephraim Shantz.

"I don't usually work in the building — I usually work outside trying to flaunt this building," she laughs. "I try to raise money for the building — since we've acquired it now we can do things (to the building), but we have no money."

One of the projects is raising money to get an elevator put into the museum for the visitors who may not be able to make it up and down the stairs.

Along with promoting the museum Dorin helps bring the museum to Aspen Ridge Lodge. In what they hope to make a regular visit, the ladies at the museum bring artifacts to the residents at the lodge who are unable to make it to the museum.

Dorin recalls the last time she helped take artifacts to the lodge and an arti-

fact she was taking around actually struck a chord with one of the residents. "I was taking this tiny little basket around that, back in the day, you would put leftover soap chips in," Dorin explained. "Then you would run it through the water to soap up the water."

Dorin said one of the residents who suffered from Alzheimer's disease continued to repeat a word when she saw the little basket. When her daughter mentioned this to Dorin she recognized what she was trying to say. Dorin said the lady was referring to another use for the tiny little basket which was putting other chips in to bleach clothing. When she explained this to the daughter, the mother began to nod and tears flowed. "Here was this lady who had so much difficulty communicating — and she finally got her thought across to someone." The reaction Dorin received from the residents of the lodge has prompted her to continue to take more items back. For Father's Day the museum will take artifacts over to the lodge again for the men to enjoy as a Father's Day treat. Before the interview Dorin was busy collecting artifacts that the men would enjoy reminiscing about. Eventually Dorin would like to get some equipment to record the residents remembering and talking about stories that are triggered from the artifacts they see.

Though she puts in a lot of her time to the museum she's never seen it as work or even volunteering. "It's a very selfish thing on my part because I enjoy every minute of it." She has found many people in the town are so passionate about the museum and it makes her proud to be involved in revitalizing the museum. "This building has such an emotional touch and to see people gratified (with it) where else do you get that? I'm for that — that's why I do it...it isn't because I want to be a volunteer with something."

For Dorin the joy she receives from the time and effort that she puts into the museum is worth it. "For me, I wanted to belong to something that had real potential — and this museum does."

## Volunteers are Vital



Carla Victor/Didsbury Review

**WORTH EVERY MINUTE** — Shirley Dorin stands in front of the Didsbury Museum where she likes to spend time taking care of museum business and the treasured historic building. Dorin was recognized for her countless hours of time she donates to the museum as Didsbury's Senior Volunteer for 2009.

## Carstairs nominations open

BY MARK LAYCOCK  
*For the Review*

It's that time of year again to recognize the outstanding achievements and dedication of Carstairs residents and organizations.

Nominations are being accepted for the 2008 Citizen of the Year award, heritage and organization awards.

The Carstairs Chamber of Commerce hosts the annual event. The winners of the three categories will be unveiled at the Beef and Barley Days supper in July.

"There's a lot of good people, and a lot of good people who volunteer for such a long time and hopefully they will have their names submitted," says Anne Strilchuk, one of the promoters of the awards.

Applications should include a list of accomplishments of the individual being nominated, as well as any available background information. Applications can be dropped off at the Carstairs Public Library to Anne Strilchuk, or to Marion Bateman.

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# Hockey legend receives recognition

BY MARK LAYCOCK  
For the Review

It's late in the afternoon at the Alberta legislature and MLA Bob Clark is eager to get out of the office and strap on a pair of skates. He's a good two and a half hours away from Carstairs at this point, but that's no matter.

At 6 p.m. he hops on board the Dayliner bound for Calgary. He arrives in Calgary at about 8:30 p.m. and heads straight for Carstairs.

After a few hours of coaching the Carstairs Midget team, Clark catches the next bus bound for Edmonton. Once on board it's time for another two and a half hour journey across Alberta's heartland to the province's capital.



Photo submitted

**WARM WELCOME** - Hockey Alberta president Terry Ledingham congratulates Bob Clark on his lifetime membership award last Saturday in Red Deer.

It's 5:30 a.m. when the bus pulls into the station in Edmonton. After getting off the train Clark heads to his hotel room for a couple of hours of sleep before having to be back at the legislature at 9 a.m.

If you think that's a little excessive one day of the month or the year, try doing it once a week.

That's the dedication Clark had for hockey in the 1960s, and you'd be hard-pressed to find anyone who would say that even the smallest crumb of that dedication has fleeted since.

In recognition of that dedication, Clark has been awarded two of the highest, most prestigious awards by Hockey Canada and Hockey Alberta.

Hockey Canada bestowed Clark with its Volunteer of the Year award, which was presented to Clark at the association's annual AGM in Vancouver in May.

On June 13 he was honoured with a Lifetime Membership with Hockey Alberta at its annual awards gala.

"It's a real honour, but you always have to keep in mind that there are several hundred other people who could get the same award," says Clark about the volunteer award.

"I accept the award very humbly knowing there are thousands and thousands of other people that have done just as much as I have and I'd rather accept it knowing that I represent all those people that are the unsung heroes and I'm lucky to be recognized."

Clark's bashfulness is unwavering when he speaks of his hockey accomplishments, but friends and colleagues insist that these honours are for him, and about him.

"(Bob) is a very distinguished person in the hockey world and outside in the business world and government world as well. It's a real bonus not only to Bob, but also to Carstairs," says long-time friend Gordon Hira.

Hira says the lifetime membership award is the hockey equivalent to being appointed a Senate seat for life.

General manager of Hockey Alberta Rob Litwinski says Clark has shown a dedication to volunteering and hockey that is embodied by a select few.

"Any time you can be honoured in front of the national membership for the volunteer of the year—that's a pretty humbling experience for Bob and Norma both," says Litwinski.

"Having been there and watched Bob accept and his speech and stuff, it was certainly rewarding for Hockey Alberta to see one of our key members, and a member of our board for so long, receive that award."

Mike Bruni, executive vice-chair of Hockey Canada and long-time friend, adds that Clark has had tremendous influence not only on players, but the many people he has worked with.

"Bob is a real role model and emulator for a lot of people in this whole area and he really set a standard that is

very, very high," says Bruni.

"He's a real pillar in the volunteer community and there's not much else I can say."

Clark got his start in hockey when he was in high school, having played as a goalie in the "good ol' days" of no facemasks or helmets.

It was during this time that Clark learned a valuable piece of advice from his then coach Bill Harder.

Clark says Harder helped him understand that he could be a good teacher because even if kids struggle to become good players. "If you could leave kids with a positive impression and a positive feeling about themselves that they can contribute in a variety of ways in society... you don't have to be a good hockey player to help make a difference."

After receiving his high school diploma, Clark attended the University of Alberta where he studied education and received a teaching degree. He began his teaching career at a small rural school in Hainstock, just west of Olds, where he taught Grades 5 and 6.

Shortly after he started teaching, the principal and a handful of surrounding farmers pooled some money together and purchased an outdoor hockey rink. The rink provided Clark with his first taste of coaching. The first game he ever won as a coach was a game against Carstairs; his team left with a 4-1 victory.

"It was a pretty exciting time for me," says Clark.

He later left to teach in Sundre where he briefly coached the Sundre Midgets.

When he was 23 Clark got elected to the legislature, serving as MLA for Olds-Didsbury. During this time he coached a midget team in Carstairs. The team ended up winning the provincial championship.

In 1966 he was given the honour of being appointed the minister of youth, and it couldn't have come at a better time.

"At the time there was a lot of concern among hockey people (about) how the NHL controlled all the Junior A teams in the country."

As a result, Clark headed a group to strengthen hockey in Alberta. It was concluded that there was dire need for coaches in the province, so in 1968 money was included in the provincial budget to establish hockey clinics. Alberta became the first province to take such measures.

In 1974 he was inducted into the Alberta Sports Hall of Fame.

In 1981 Clark retired from politics and returned to Carstairs where he coached from 1982 to 1987.

In 1987 Clark became the general manager of the Olds Grizzlies, a team he would come to cherish over the years and would forever leave a proud history with.

Clark says that shortly after becoming general manager, the team took off to a roaring start, winning nine games that season.

The team claimed a decisive victory in 1992 when it claimed the league championship. Lightning struck the same place three times and the team won the title for the next two years.

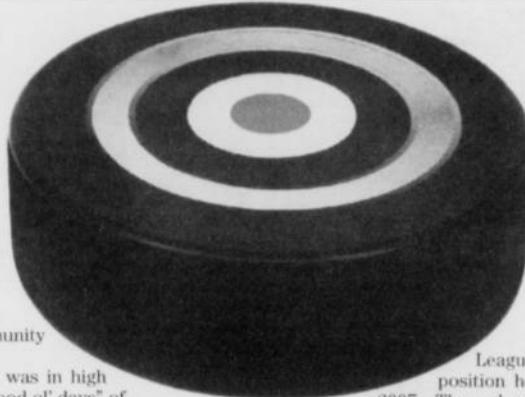
In 1994 the team made it to the Centennial Cup, which was hosted in Olds that year. The Grizzlies won the final game 5-4 against the Vernon Vipers.

After winning the Centennial Cup Clark decided to step down as general manager.

From this point forward Clark took up various volunteer and board positions with several hockey organizations.

In 1998 he became chairman of the Alberta Junior Hockey

**HALL OF FAMER** - Bob Clark has recently been awarded top honours by Hockey Alberta and Hockey Canada.



League board, a position he held until 2007. Throughout his time there he says many changes needed to be made to move the league forward in a new direction. He left feeling confident he accomplished that goal.

"It's important to move along. I felt I had done the things I could do and they needed a new direction and I'm kind of a domineering SOB anyway, so I stepped down," says Clark with a chuckle.

Clark's final stint in coaching was with the Carstairs Bruins Midget team where he worked alongside Darryl Sayer as assistant coach. He retired from that position this year, citing a need for younger talent to take the helm of the team.

After looking back on his history, Clark admits that even he is amazed at what he has accomplished and that "I'd never thought I'd do what I've done."

He says it's never easy to leave so many players, coaches and boards behind, but says it comes with the territory.

"I think life is all about working hard and getting opportunities and taking advantage of them, but it's also about helping other people have those opportunities in the future."

He adds that much of what he has done may never have been fulfilled had he taken a different route to become a professional hockey player. He can confidently say he has never regretted that decision.

"Sometimes life protects you from yourself."



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# Hail season approaching

As Didsbury area crops begin to grow and another hail season approaches, many farmers across the province will be casting a nervous eye at the sky – hoping their fields are spared from hail damage this summer.

For the past two years, Alberta producers have suffered record levels of crop damage due to severe hailstorms.

### Highest crop losses in 71 years

"Last year was the worst we've seen in our 71 years as a public hail insurer. We paid out \$73.5 million in claims through our Straight Hail program – more than doubling the record \$40 million the year before," says Gilbert Goudreau, provincial adjusting manager with Agriculture Financial Services Corporation (AFSC), the provincial Crown Corporation that provides the majority of hail insurance in Alberta.

While Environment Canada reported 66 severe hailstorms last year, down from a record 89 the year before, many storms last summer were more intense and widespread as they tracked across the province, says Goudreau. "We had 563 different areas of the province report hail compared to about 300 areas in a normal year." The hardest hit regions were southern Alberta and the corridor that runs along the Queen Elizabeth II Highway between Edmonton and Calgary, which includes Mountain View County.

It's impossible to predict what will happen this summer, says Dan Kulak, an Environment Canada meteorologist in Edmonton. "It's been a very dry spring across most of Alberta, but June is a critical month that often sets up the summer for hail depending on how much rain falls. If we get some real soakers, it can fuel hailstorms in July, which is typically when we see the most hail activity."

### Early hailstorms catch farmers off guard

May and June have also been busy months for hail in the last two years, with a number of early storms catching farmers off guard, says Goudreau. "So we're urging producers to make their hail insurance deci-



Photo submitted

**RECORD DAMAGE** - Gilbert Goudreau, provincial adjusting manager with AFSC, shows some photos of crop damage caused by hail across Alberta in the last two years. AFSC paid out a record \$73.5 million in claims through its Straight Hail program in 2008.

sions as early as possible this year. The number of producers calling us to buy hail insurance after their crops have already been hit has doubled. It's unfortunate because we have to reject them for coverage if the damage on uninsured crops exceeds 25 per cent, or if the damage is too difficult to accurately assess at such an early stage of plant growth."

"In some cases, we can defer assessment of the crop until mid-July when it's more mature. But in the meantime, if more hail rolls through and does 25 per cent damage or more, they're stuck without coverage for the whole season." He adds crops with less than 25 per cent damage can be insured, but they're charged a deductible to cover the previous hail damage.

### A risky game

Farmers play a risky game by waiting too long to buy their hail insurance, says Goudreau. "If they're thinking about insuring their crops, we recommend doing it as soon as the plants emerge. It doesn't save any money to wait a few weeks. You pay the same amount for hail insurance whether you start coverage in June, July or August."

Richard Goerzen wastes little time insuring his 1,300 acres of canola, barley and wheat once he's done spring seeding. "With input costs up to \$250 an acre, I have too much invested to risk losing it all to hail," says Goerzen, who farms

east of Carstairs. "Most years, I get some hail because my fields are so spread out. Some are in high risk areas." Last year, he says pea-sized and grape-sized hailstones hammered 600 acres of canola and barley, doing up to 70 per cent damage. Some fields were hit twice. Others were left untouched. "One quarter that used to get hailed all the time hasn't had it for 10 years. You never know what to expect each year."

Goerzen was among more than 7,000 hail claims that AFSC responded to last summer through its Straight Hail program and the hail rider that many producers add to their crop insurance.

### Hail rate increases limited

Despite back-to-back years of record hail claims in Alberta, producers across the province won't see their hail rates increase by more than two percentage points this year, says Avery Cook, manager of Actuarial Services and Program Readiness at AFSC. "We limit base rate increases to two percentage points every year to keep them stable and minimize the impact of heavy hail years like the ones we've seen lately," he explains.

"We're able to do this because we take a long-term approach to managing rates," says Cook. "AFSC has been in the hail insurance business for 71 years, so we're able to calculate rates using 25 years of hail data – one of the longest time frames in the industry – instead of the more common 10-to-15-year models."

Cook says that longer time period spreads the impact of record losses over several years of premiums. "So producers aren't paying it all back the

next year, and it's easier to deal with. If we used a 10- or 15-year model and removed our limit on rate increases, producers would be paying much higher rates this year."

Hail rates are set at a township level, based primarily on the hail experience of each township and the surrounding eight townships. Less than 10 per cent of Alberta's 4,140 townships will see a base rate increase of two percentage points. About 70 per cent will see an increase of one percentage point. More than 20 per cent will actually see their hail rates fall by one percentage point or stay the same, notes Cook. "So if your rate is five per cent, your hail insurance will cost \$5 for every \$100 of coverage," he explains, adding an adjustment is made for crops like canola that are more prone to hail damage.

"The Straight Hail program is funded entirely by premiums. As a Crown Corporation, we set hail rates to cover crop losses, and to break even. There's no profit factored in," he adds.

So far this year, a hailstorm was reported near Taber in mid-May, but the damage was minor, says Goudreau.

"Whatever Mother Nature throws at us this year, our 140 adjusters are ready. We are committed to our mandate of providing hail coverage to farmers in every corner of the province, no matter how high the risk of hail."

Producers can access Straight Hail coverage at any time, says Goudreau, but it doesn't come into effect until noon the following day.

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**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** - Membership meetings are the 2nd Wed. in June, September, November and January. For more info please call 403-335-3265.

**DIDSBURY TOPS** Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Judy Coutts at 403-335-2212 or Rosemary 403-335-2835.

**BEAVERS** Tues. 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

**TIME OUT** Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury's Mom's Time Out and Dads Too program. At Didsbury Neighborhood Place, Mondays 10-11:30 a.m. Call 403-335-4270

**KING HIRAM LODGE #21** has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

**ST. HILDA CHAPTER #27 O.E.S.** Has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. Call Marg Steckler at 403-335-4281

**DIDSBURY SENIOR SUPPORT SERVICES** Co-ordinates assistance for seniors. Call 403-335-4391.

**DIDSBURY SHUTTLE BUS**

Scheduled transportation for anyone on Monday, Wednesdays & Fridays 9 - 3. Please call day prior or by 8:00 a.m. for pick up. 403-507-0208. Wheelchair accessible. Sponsored by the Didsbury Lions Club.

**DIDSBURY ELKS LODGE** Supper Meeting - 4th Thursdays. Regular Meeting - 2nd and 4th Thursdays each month. Call 335-4676 for info.

**LEARNING DISABILITIES MTN.** View Chapter. Support and info for parents and teachers dealing with learning disabilities. For info call Susan at 403-335-3174.

**DIDSBURY MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC** - Provides free accessible mental health services. Which incl. assessments, individual family & group counselling & crisis intervention. Mon. - Fri. 8:30-4:00.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** Meetings Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 21 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Colleen at 403-335-8484 or Rick at 403-335-9525.

**HALL RENTALS:** Rosebud Hall rentals. Call 403-335-9945 or 403-335-4606.

**RUGBY HALL RENTALS CALL** Delta #403-335-8767, for meetings, family events or reunions.

**• 5-0 Club Hall Rentals.** For Hall rentals &/or info regarding the hall please call Joyce Gee 403-335-2861. • To Rent **Didsbury Elks Hall**. Call Jim Wadel 403-335-3481. • To Rent **St. Cyprian's Anglican Church Hall**, contact Myrna Watt 403-335-3745. • To Rent the **Lone Pine Hall**, which is located east of Didsbury, contact Jo-Anne Hannah at 403-335-4190. • To Rent **Mountain View Community Hall** for meetings, community events, family or group reunions, call John 403-335-8860. • The **Fallen Timber** Community Hall offers an ideal place for quiet safety meetings or fabulous social activities. Please contact Esther McMullen for info at 403-637-2270.

**SPEND ONE HOUR A WEEK WITH A CHILD AT SCHOOL.** Have fun together - play games, shoot some hoops, draw, read or do crafts. Mentoring works! Call Mountain View Mentoring at 403-586-0110. Volunteers needed in Carstairs, Cremona, Didsbury, Olds & Sundre. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Innisfail.

**DIDSBURY LIFELINE**

Emergency Response System - Shirley Response

403-335-3787, Don 403-335-4676.

**MOUNTAIN VIEW CHORALIERS** invite you to sing with us 7 p.m.

Mondays at the 5-0 club,

2500 15 Ave. 36th

**DIDSBURY ROYAL PURPLE**

#317 Regular meeting at 7:00 p.m., 2nd Wednesday of each month. For info call Irene Collinge 403-335-4589

**ALANON:** For family and friends of alcoholics. Alice

403-556-5911, Reg 403-337-3762.

## DIDSBURY AND AREA SUPPORT GROUP

For friends and families of people with Alzheimer's Disease and other forms of dementia. Join us the last Monday of each month 7-9 p.m. Aspen Ridge Lodge, 1100-20 Ave., Didsbury. 403-335-9848. Dolina Watson, 403-335-7285.

## DIDSBURY & DISTRICT HEALTH SERVICES AUXILIARY

monthly meeting on the first Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m. in Unit 4 at the hospital.

## OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

12-Step group for Compulsive Overeaters meets on Thursdays at 7 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Anglican church, 130 Albert St., Airdrie.

For more

information call Deb at 403-948-0563 or Frankie at 403-335-3633.

**3025 RCACC** Didsbury Army Cadets Youth 12-18 Monday 6:30 - 9:30. Downstairs Victoria Square Mall 403-559-8801.

**ADULT HALL WALKING** at Westlyn School from 6:30pm to 7:30pm from Monday to Friday. Also free blood sugar testing on Mondays. For more information call Cindy at 403-335-9437.

## DIDSBURY MUSEUM OPEN

10 a.m. - 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tues and Wed:

Sat. 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. By appointment: Joan 403-335-6644 or Shirley 403-335-3277

## DIDSBURY & DISTRICT

Community bus. Call Jan to book your trip. 403-335-3052. Competent drivers.

## DIDSBURY YOUTH JUSTICE COMMITTEE'S

meetings are held the first Monday of each month. All persons interested in volunteering and helping to work with the youth in our community are encouraged to come. For location and time please call 403-335-3575.

## MIDWAY COMMUNITY WALKERS

Midway School will open to anyone that would like to walk inside for exercise without the winter elements. Open every school day 7:30-8:30am. For more info call 403-337-2888.

## PARENT LINK CENTER

Drop in play.

FREE Playtime for Parents and Preschoolers (newborn to 6 yrs). Morning, afternoon and evening playtimes available at Didsbury Neighbourhood Place, bay 2, 2030 17 Ave. Contact Linda 403-586-5466

## IF YOU LIKE TO QUILT

or would like to learn to quilt, come join us at the Church of God 1st & 3rd Monday, 1 - 4 or 7 - 9:30 p.m. For

more info call 403-337-8686 leave message. Everyone welcome.

**BABY DROP IN** starting in September @ Didsbury Neighbourhood Place from 9:30 to 11:00 on the 1st, 3rd & 5th Thursday of the month. A great opportunity to have your baby weighed, talk to a public health nurse & meet other new parents of babies.

**DIDSBURY ELKS LODGE** supper meetings every 2nd and 4th thursdays. Supper at 7:00 p.m. meeting at 8:00 p.m. Call 403-335-4655.

**SUPPER INVITATION** - The Didsbury Lions Club welcomes men & lady visitors at their supper meetings on the first and third Thursdays of each month. 6:45 pm. at the 5-0 Centre. For information and to RSVP call 403-335-9173 or 403-335-4796.

**DIDSBURY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLACE** is a resource centre for the down, we provide information and referral services, community programming, FCSS, resource lending library and meeting space available for rent. Please call 403-335-8719.

**GIRL GUIDES OF CANADA** - For fun, friendship and adventure for girls and women of all ages! Join anytime. Leaders are needed for all units, no experience necessary. Ages: Sparks 5/6; Brownies 7/8; Guides 9 - 11; Pathfinders 12 - 14; rangers 15 & up. Call Karen 403-556-6881 for more info.

**FRIDAYS** - Cribbage starts at 5-0 Club at 7:00 pm. TFN

**DIDSBURY MUSEUM** - annual pie social. Saturday June 20 from 1pm - 4pm. \$4 member and \$5 non member. Theme is a "Salute to Organizations & Services". 21-24

**DIDSBURY LIONS CLUB SOAPBOX DERBY** - June 20, 2009. Reimer International Parking Lot. 582 between 14 & 16 Street. Registration starts at 8:00 a.m. For more information call allan 403-801-4796 or 403-335-4676.. For kits call George 403-335-4482 22-24

**JAM SESSION** - Opportunity for acoustic string musicians to play bluegrass, folk, country at Tuesday night jam sessions in Didsbury. (ie. fiddle, mando, guitar, banjo, dobro or stand up bass, etc) Limited space available, call 335-4631. Tfn

# Church Directory

The REVIEW is pleased to provide this Church Directory as a community service

## Anglican Church of Canada

### St. Cyprian's

2037 - 24th Ave. Didsbury - 335-4664  
Rector - Rev Bonnie S. Luft  
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.  
Mid-week service every third Wednesday 9:30 a.m.  
St. Cyprian's is a small, friendly Christian Community who welcomes newcomers.  
Sunday School will start back in September.

## Knox United Didsbury

1406 - 19th Avenue  
Minister Nancy Nourse

Please join our church family for worship.  
10 a.m. each Sunday.  
Nursery Care available for infants and toddlers.  
Sunday school provided for ages 3-17.  
For information about mid-week programming for children, youth and adults please call 335-8373 or see our website at [www.knox-united.com](http://www.knox-united.com).

## West Zion Mennonite Church

South of Didsbury to sign - West 1.5 miles  
Pastor Trevor Kriaka, info - 337-2020

Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.

Nursery available during service.

EVERYONE WELCOME!

## Bergthal Mennonite Church

Didsbury, Alberta  
5km S of the Didsbury Overpass,  
8km E on Bergthal Rd.  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship Service - 11 a.m.  
Pastor: Elwin Garland  
For more information ph. - 335-4451

## Redeemer Lutheran

LUTHERAN CHURCH CANADA  
1500 - 23 St. Rev. Robert Mohns  
Church: 335-3161 / Rec. 335-3656  
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. • Worship - 10:30 a.m.  
Adult Bible Study Sunday - 9:30 a.m.  
Holy Communion I & 3 Sunday 10:30 a.m.  
Jr. & Sr. Youth, Women's & Seniors' Ministry Group  
Small Group Bible Study meetings  
throughout the week

## Mountain View Evangelical

Missionary Church  
14 km East of Didsbury, info - 335-4422  
Morning Worship 11 a.m. • Sunday School 10 a.m.  
For information concerning the weekly activities  
please call the Church Office.

## St. Anthony's Catholic

2030 - 24 Ave. Didsbury  
For more information please contact  
Claude Baril - 335-3842  
Catholic Women's League:  
Wendy MacKenzie 335-8507

Knights of Columbus: Gary McNeil - 335-8611

## Chinook Winds Christian Centre

1710 - 14th Street Didsbury  
SUNDAY CELEBRATION - 10 a.m.  
Prophetic Worship and Bible Teaching for all ages  
• Nursery Services •  
Ph/Fax - 335-3551 • Email - [cwcc@airnet.com](mailto:cwcc@airnet.com)

Pastoral Team Richard & Beth Kope

SEE YOU AT THE CENTRE!

## Zion Evangelical Missionary Church

Corner Hwy. 582 & 20th Ave.  
Phone: 403-335-3629 Web: [www.zemic.org](http://www.zemic.org)  
Mike Morgan, Senior Pastor  
John Reimer, Associate Pastor  
(Life Groups & Worship)  
Colin Creighton, Associate Pastor (Global Connections & Youth)  
Alison LeFebvre, Director of Youth Ministries  
Christine Little, Director of Children's Ministries  
Summer Sunday Services 10:00 am  
Children's Programs for up to Grade 6  
Fall Schedule Re-starting September 13

# SEE YOU IN CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

## Raise awareness of elder abuse

Yesterday, on June 15, the provincial government joined communities and governments around the world to raise awareness of elder abuse during the 4th annual World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

Like all Albertans, seniors deserve to live with dignity and respect. But, in our province and around the globe, elder abuse touches the lives of seniors from all walks of life, all income brackets, and all ethnic backgrounds.

Unfortunately, any senior can be a victim of elder abuse, with the more common forms being financial and psychological abuse. In some cases, seniors may experience more than one form of abuse at the same time.

Being aware of elder abuse and being able to recognize potential signs are important first steps to addressing the problem. Common signs of elder abuse include unexplained injuries, low self-esteem and social withdrawal.

Alberta Seniors and Community Supports, in partnership with the Alberta Elder Abuse Awareness Network, has developed a service provider screening guide to help front-line caregivers and service providers identify possible cases of elder abuse and support victims in obtaining help.

If you suspect elder abuse is occurring, the police can help determine if the situation is criminal in nature and can provide information about community resources. You can also call the provincial Family Violence Information Line toll free (310-1818) for information, advice, and referrals.

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY! JUNE 21, 2009**  
WHEEL INTO SUMMER. ENTER TO WIN 1 OF 3 DODGE JOURNEYS

**Pork Shoulder Blade Steak**  
Great for the BBQ

**\$1.98**  
lb

**Deli Coleslaw, Potato or Macaroni Salad**

**68¢**  
100 g

**French Bread**  
Fresh Baked

**\$1.28**  
ea.

**Niagra Apple Beverage**  
Tea House Blend, 1L, plus deposit

**98¢**  
100 g

**Fresh Raspberries, Blueberries or Blackberries**  
1/2 pint size, California Fresh

**\$2.98**

**Fresh Strawberries**  
2 lb. clam shell, California Fresh

**\$3.98**

# Didsbury Marketplace

61¢ plus GST

## 3400. Pets &amp; Supplies 3400. Pets &amp; Supplies

**NEUTERED MALE CAT** - SPAYED FEMALE CAT  
Free to good home, very affectionate. 403-335-3763

## 100. Obituaries 100. Obituaries



## Rita Elizabeth Sarah

MacIntosh

February 24, 1994 to

May 25, 2009.

Daughter, sister, auntie, niece, cousin, sister-in-law, friend.

It is with profound sadness that we announce the sudden passing away of Rita, on May 25, 2009 at the age of 15.

Rita was born in Grande Prairie AB, then moved to Fort Nelson BC, before settling in Didsbury a few years ago.

Rita leaves behind her mother Rita (Didsbury) and her father Ed (Fort Nelson). She is also survived by five sisters and two brothers; Lisa, husband Jeff (Calgary), Julie, daughter Taylor (Grande Prairie), Bonita (Sicamous), Elias (Fort Nelson), Eddie (Fort Nelson), April (Didsbury), Sheryl (Fort Nelson), as well as many numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, and her father's parents Nana and Papa.

Rita, a grade 9 student, attended the Didsbury High School. She touched the lives of all who knew her, and left behind the legacy of her smile. A typical teenager, Rita was entranced by all electronics, namely her cell phone and camera, which she was never without. Rita will be remembered as a happy, vibrant, contagious personality, who lit up a room and who made it her mission to spread her happiness to those around her.

A celebration honouring Rita's life was held on Saturday, May 30, in Olds, AB. Rita has been laid to rest at the Calgary SE Mountain View Memorial Garden Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that any donations be sent to the Didsbury Royal Bank (403) 335-3328, where an account has been set up to aid in the coverage of funeral expenses.

## 5110. Houses For Rent

**2 YR. OLD HOUSE** for rent in Carstairs. 3 bedroom, big yard. \$1200/mth. + utilities. Call Barry 403-948-5386

**3 BDRM. TOWNHOUSE** in Didsbury, recent renovations N/S. \$1000/mth. plus utilities 403-994-0550

## DOING LAUNDRY SUCKS!

But not in "YOUR NEW HOME"! This 3 bdrm home has 5 brand new appliances including your own washer and dryer! NO MORE TRIPS TO THE LAUNDRY MATT!! An open concept kitchen, bright bedrooms with modern window covering throughout, and an en-suite bathroom are a few of the awesome amenities you'll enjoy when you rent this home. Just a minutes' walk to the schools and downtown. Make it yours before it's too late! Please visit [www.omnihousing.ca](http://www.omnihousing.ca) for photos and more details!

Carstairs/Didsbury \$1295 plus utilities. Call Ally 403-586-2424

## 5110. Houses For Rent

**THE ECONOMY SUCKS!!** We're here to help you through tough times with short term lease options & low utility efficient housing. Come see "YOUR NEW HOME". A comfortable 3 bdrm, bright open concept kitchen, en-suite bathroom, double car garage & walk-in closet are just a few of the awesome amenities of the brand new home. Won't last at this price! Didsbury/Carstairs \$1295 plus utilities. Please visit [www.omnihousing.ca](http://www.omnihousing.ca) for photos and more details! Call Ally 403-586-2424

**THIS HOME IS JUST** waiting for someone like you to make yourself comfortable. Close to schools, hospital, downtown and the Rec. Centre, this beautiful home boasts large windows and a bright open floor plan. Enjoy the convenience of a keyless pad entry and low utility bills, with the addition of dual flush toilets. A rare find and at only \$998/mth. won't last. To make this 3 bedroom your own call 403-609-2699

## 5110. Houses For Rent

**5130. Apartments For Rent**

**MAY 1, DIDSBUY**, 3 bdrm. Duplex. N/S, N/P, No children.

\$1200.00/mth. + Security Damage. Utilities included 403-507-5094

## 5130. Apartments For Rent

**NEWLY BUILT 3 BDRM** townhouse with 2 baths. Main

Floor Laundry. Close to downtown, schools and hospital. Maple kitchen cabinets and all appliances

including dishwasher, over the range microwave and full size

washer/dryer. 1501 - 16th St. North of new high school.

\$900/mo + utilities. No Pets. 403-605-4703

## 5130. Apartments For Rent

**5135. Suites For Rent**

**FINALLY, A PLACE** that's just yours! Enjoy the privacy of

"YOUR NEW HOME" in Didsbury. It's a bright 1 bdrm lower walk-out suite that

includes your own convenient

brand new in-suite laundry and

kitchen appliances, cozy in-

floor heat, tasteful window

coverings and it's all yours for

\$825 plus utilities! Don't wait,

or it will be someone else! Visit

[www.omnihousing.ca](http://www.omnihousing.ca) for

photos and more details! Call

Ally 403-586-2424

## 5135. Suites For Rent

**5160. Condos For Rent**

**DIDSBUY SPACIOUS 3**

bdrm. Condo. 11/2 baths.

Hardwood, deck. Available

July 1st. Rent \$899/month +

403-254-2354

## 5160. Condos For Rent

You'll find

it in the

Classifieds

Call 335-3301

REVIEW

## 5170. Duplex / 4-plex for rent

**CARSTAIRS IMMEDIATE** POSSESSION. New 1/2

duplex, 3 bedrooms, 2

bathrooms, fireplace, five

appliances, fenced, garage,

shed. \$1175.00 plus utilities.

Great price! call Tracy or

Charmaine; 403-912-6140/

403-880-7449. View at

[www.albertahomerenet.ca](http://www.albertahomerenet.ca)

## 5003. Real Estate Misc.

**\$2,900 Down!**

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Seller will finance!

3 bdrm Renovated

Mobile home with

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**You own the** lot! Shows like

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**Vacant for** immediate

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Toll Free

## 1005. Help Wanted

**1005. Help Wanted**

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## 1 BEDROOM SUITE IN DIDSBUY

close to main street.

**\$800.00/mnth**

**utilities included,**

**off street parking.**

**\*AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY\***

**403-556-0986**

## 1005. Help Wanted

**1005. Help Wanted**

## DIDSBUY MINOR HOCKEY ASSOC.

## 2ND REGISTRATION

NIGHT

to be held at Didsbury Curling Rink

Hog Line Room

June 10, 2009

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Must be registered for the 2009/2010

season by August 15, 2009. Registration

received after could be refused.

## 110. In Memoriam 110. In Memoriam

**THANK YOU**

We would like to express our sincere appreciation

to friends & family for all their support during

Dick's surgery & lengthy hospital stay. All the cards,

flowers, get well wishes & prayers were much

appreciated during such a difficult time.

Many thanks to the Didsbury Hospital &

Peter Lougheed staff & doctors for

their excellent care.

Dick & Valeda Wannamaker

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174 Meadowlark Lane, Carstairs  
Great starter home, built in 2000 and on its own 1/2 acre lot, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceilings, oak kitchen, nice yard



\$189,900

58 Silver Lynx Park, Olds  
Nicely maintained 1250 sq ft home on corner lot, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceilings, open floor plan, corner gas fireplace, great shed/workshop, priced right



\$139,900

305 Westhill Close  
1400+ sq ft home, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, new hardwood, new kitchen, wall mounted gas fireplace, covered deck, walk-up basement



\$379,900

214 Valarosa Place  
This brand new home is ready to move into! 1250 sq ft, upgraded laminate, 3 sided fireplace, jet tub, maple cabinetry, covered deck, huge lot, great price!



\$349,900

9 Westhill Drive  
Great family home, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, newer laminate and new carpet, fresh paint, refinished kitchen cabinets, backs onto a huge park, excellent location



\$256,900

25th Street Lot  
61' x 120' lot, walkout potential, back lane, choose your own builder, no GST, in preferred area of town!



\$99,900

Little Red Acres  
1.8 acre lot ready for your dream home, services to property line, no building commitment, nicely treed perimeter, conveniently located just north of Water Valley



\$134,900

2029 - 18 Avenue  
Upgraded older home on a large lot (98' X 120'), 3 bedrooms, large rear deck with hot tub, large balcony off of master bedroom, zoned residential/commercial



\$229,900

1269 - 23 Avenue  
Beautiful 45+ unit with no condo fees! vaulted ceilings, gas fireplace, oak kitchen, main floor laundry, bonus room, finished basement



\$329,900

1324 - 21 Avenue  
Unserviced vacant lot in a mature area of town, slopes went to east so good walkout potential, quiet street, no GST!



\$69,900

318 - 2 Avenue, Torrington  
Very affordable mobile on its own lot, 3 bedrooms, sunroom, sunroom addition with woodstove, large storage/workshop



\$94,900

#2, 2200 - 7 Avenue  
Great starter home or revenue property, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, main floor laundry, new flooring, good sized fenced yard



\$149,900

## THE PORCH BOYZ



"WATER" YOU  
WAITING FOR ...  
GIVE US A CALL

9 West Highlands Bay, Carstairs



Absolutely beautiful new home! 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, hardwood, tile, 3 way fireplace, huge ensuite bath, maple cabinetry, high quality and great value from Dreamwood Homes!

\$449,900

1515 McAlpine Street, Carstairs



Great Family 2 Storey!  
Over 1700 sq ft of brand new living, gas fireplace, walk through pantry, main floor laundry, huge lot, ready for a summer possession

\$353,500

43 Valarosa Drive



Only 3 years old, 1298 sq ft bungalow, fully developed, gas fireplace, vaulted ceilings, Hickory kitchen, backs onto Rosebud Creek, gorgeous open view

\$369,900

#20, 1706 22 Avenue



Excellent Condo Value!  
3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, extensive upgrades, fully developed, walkout basement, new flooring, and much more! Cute back yard with deck, patio and firepit

\$179,900

1512 - 23 Avenue



Well built 1575 sq ft bungalow, sunken family room, wood burning fireplace, 2 1/2 baths, jetted tub, partly developed basement, large lot

\$269,900

774 Carriagelane Drive



Awesome 1834 sq ft. Open floor plan, hardwood, walk through pantry, main floor laundry, ensuite is second to none. Walkout basement.

\$369,900

1542 - 17 Avenue



Pride of ownership, immaculate 4 bedroom home, fireplace, numerous upgrades, 28' X 30' garage, gorgeous yard, quiet street, great location

\$299,900

101 Westridge Place



Custom Built and Top of the Line! 2+2 bedrooms, 3 baths, 18' ceilings, gourmet kitchen with granite counters, double sided fireplace, style like you've never seen!

\$399,900

2018 - 21 Avenue



Fall of character and charm!  
3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, original fir floors, fireplace, main floor den and sitting room, old time garage/shop

\$239,900

FRONT PORCH FOCUS



The Didsbury Museum is having their annual pie social on Saturday, June 20 from 1 - 4 pm.

Our theme is "Salute to Organizations & Services" past and present. Members \$4, non members \$5. Come and enjoy.

35.22 ACRES!



Excellent hobby farm opportunity!  
4 bedrooms, 2 baths, walkout basement, in-floor heat, wrap-around deck, 24' X 36' heated shop, beautiful view, near Linden

\$399,900

1707 - 17 Street



Excellent maintenance free living! 2 bedroom villa, gas fireplace, oak kitchen, double garage, backs onto green space, reasonable HOA fees

\$264,900

1534 - 16 Street



1168 sq ft home, 4 bedrooms, sunken living room, wood stove in family room, single garage, large lot in a mature area of town

\$259,900



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